

ARKANSAS ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COORDINATING COUNCIL

MINUTES

DATE: April 19, 2007

LOCATION: Arkansas State Police Headquarters
#1 State Police Plaza
ADEQ Training Room
Little Rock, Arkansas 72209

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Keith Rutledge, Joe M. Hill, DL Flowers alt. for Colonel Steve Dozier, Chief Ronald Burks alt. for Dan Flowers, Robert A. Parker alt. for Wendy Kelly, Robin Jarratt alt. for Ann Purvis; Brandon Robbins alt. for Major General William D. Wofford, , Laura Shue, Richard Gallagher alt. for J.R. Howard, Rita Shepherd, David Guntharp, Chief Percy Wilburn, Judge Mary Ann Gunn, Ramona M. Ellison, J.G. Regnier, Rick Hart, Dennis Moore, Mary Stone.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kent Williams, Deborah Caspall, Tammy Harrell, Bishop Woosley, Carol Roddy, Megan Cuddy, Wanda Williams, Jim Allen, Timothy Williamson.

STAFF PRESENT:

Denise Lockett, Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention
Gene Smith, Drug Director's Office

VISITORS:

Matthew Warriner, DF&A

KEITH RUTLEDGE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 2:30 PM.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed to all members for their review. After a review of the minutes, Dennis Moore made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ramona Ellison seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement Committee Report

Chief Ronald Burks reported that the Law Enforcement Committee did not meet.

Treatment and Prevention Committee Report

Joe M. Hill reported that the T& P Committee did not meet.

OLD BUSINESS

Distribution of Monthly Financial and Utilization Reports:

T&P Committee Report

Joe M. Hill distributed the Providers' Utilization Reports. He reported that there were no unusual activities and providers are utilizing their funds as expected.

A motion was made by Rick Gallagher and seconded by Ramona Ellison to accept the report. The motion carried.

Law Enforcement Report

Robin Jarratt/Matthew Warriener distributed the Drug Law Enforcement Program FY 2006 Federal/State Expenditure Summary Report. She reported no unusual activities and that everyone was spending their funds as expected.

A motion was made by Mary Stone and seconded by Rick Hart to accept the report. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Keith Rutledge gave an update on legislation that was passed in the recent session. The following bills were presented:

- **HB2333/ACT 629**- An Act to create the Task Force on Substance Abuse Prevention.
- **SB18/ACT 1022**—An Act to expand Drug Court Programs, to create a division of drug court programs within the Administrative Office of the Courts; and for other purposes.
- **SB446/ACT 758**—An Act to make an appropriation for Substance Abuse Treatment Services for Pregnant Women and Women with Children for the Department of Health and Human Services-Division of Behavioral Health-Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention for the biennial period ending June 30, 2009;and for the other purposes such as: Specialized Women's' Services for pregnant and parenting substance abusing women.
- **HB1414/ACT 251** ---An Act concerning Alcohol Education Programs for persons convicted of driving while intoxicated; amending Arkansas Code §20-64-601 concerning the name of the Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention; and for other purposes.
- **HB2645/ACT 688**-Increase the size of the Substance Abuse Treatment Task Force.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Keith Rutledge announced to the Council his resignation as the State Drug Director effective April 30. He stated that the Governor had selected Fran Flener as the new State Drug Director effective May 2. Several members expressed their appreciation for his leadership and hard work as the States' Drug Director, and wished him well in his future endeavors. Chief Ronald Burks and Judge Mary Ann Gunn spoke the sentiments of all members present by acknowledging his outstanding services as Director. An ovation was given by all members present.
- Keith Rutledge announced that the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinating Council meeting for May 17, 2007 will be held at 2:30 p.m. at the AR State Police Headquarters #1 State Police Plaza ADEQ Training Room, Little Rock, Arkansas 72209.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Chief Ronald Burks to adjourn and seconded by Judge Mary Ann Gunn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Luckett